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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR REGULATING THE COATING  
THICKNESS, ESPECIALLY BOND COATING THICKNESS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before beginning examination, kindly amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please change the PCT title to read --METHOD AND DEVICE FOR  
REGULATING THE COATING THICKNESS, ESPECIALLY BOND COATING  
THICKNESS--.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the replacement claims from the Annex to the International  
Preliminary Examination Report as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2."

Claim 4, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 3" and insert --claim 1--.